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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/660,091 for
FABRICATION METHOD FOR A SEMICONDUCTOR
STRUCTURE HAVING A PARTLY FILLED TRENCH
Our Ref. No. 1406/166

Sir:

Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

1. An Amendment Transmittal Form;
2. An Amendment A; and
3. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to us with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office filing stamp thereon.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

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Practitioner's Docket No. 1406/166



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Jana Hansel

Group Art Unit: 2812

Serial No.: 10/660,091

Examiner: Lindsay Jr., Walter Lee

Filed: September 10, 2003

Docket No.: 1406/166

Confirmation No.: 5936

For: **FABRICATION METHOD FOR A SEMICONDUCTOR STRUCTURE HAVING A PARTLY FILLED TRENCH**

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10*

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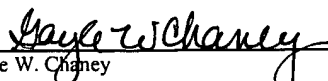
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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

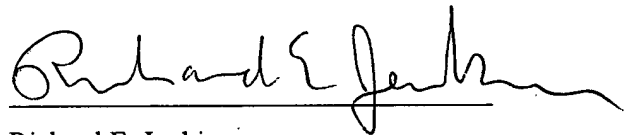
FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY			
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE		
TOTAL	8	— 20	= 0	x \$ 18.00	= \$	0.00	
INDEP.	2	— 3	= 0	x \$ 86.00	= \$	0.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 0.00	= \$	0.00	
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No additional fee for claims is required.

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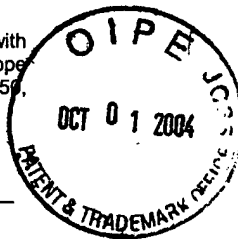


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AMENDMENT A

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated August 9, 2004, for which a shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on November 9, 2004. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.